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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
Statement of Legal Newspaper Ownership and Circulation

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1. TITLE OF NEWSPAPER		2. DATE
The Daily Republic		9/23/04
3. FREQUENCY OF ISSUE	3A. NO. OF ISSUES PUBLISHED ANNUALLY	3B. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION PRICE
Monday through Sat	307	$ 122.00

4. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF KNOWN OFFICE OF PUBLICATION (Street, City, County, State and ZIP+4 Code) (Not printers)

120 S Lawler, Mitchell SD 57301

5. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF THE HEADQUARTERS OR GENERAL BUSINESS OFFICES OF THE PUBLISHER (Not printers)

120 S Lawler, Mitchell SD 57301

6. FULL NAME OF PUBLISHER: Noel Hamiel

7. OWNER (If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and list on the back of this form the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a partnership or other unincorporated firm, its name and address, as well as that of each individual must be given.

FULL NAME	COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS
Forum Communications	PO Box 2020,Fargo ND 58107

8. KNOWN BONDHOLDERS, MORTGAGES, AND OTHER SECURITY HOLDERS OWNING OR HOLDING 1 PERCENT OR MORE OF TOTAL AMOUNT OF BONDS, MORTGAGES OR OTHER SECURITIES (If there are none, so state. If more space is needed, list on back of this form.

None

9. EXTENT AND NATURE OF CIRCULATION	AVERAGE NO. COPIES EACH ISSUED PRECEDING 12 MONTHS	ACTUAL NO. COPIES ISSUED NEAREST TO FILING DATE
A. TOTAL NO. COPIES (Net Press Run)	12,693	13,020
B. PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION		
1. Sales through dealers and carriers, street vendors and counter sales.	8,099	8,571
2. Mail Subscription (Paid and or requested)	4,237	4,147
C. TOTAL PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION (Sum of 9B1 and 9B2)	12,336	12,718
D. FREE DISTRIBUTION		
1. BY MAIL, CARRIER OR OTHER MEANS		
2. SAMPLES, COMPLIMENTARY AND OTHER FREE COPIES	111	55
E. TOTAL DISTRIBUTION (Sum of C, D1 and D2)	12,447	12,773
F. COPIES NOT DISTRIBUTED		
1. Office use, left over, unaccounted, spoiled after printing	35	35
2. Return from News Agents	211	212
G. TOTAL (Sum of E, F1 and F2 – Should equal net press run shown in A)	12,693	13,020

Statement must be signed by Publisher, Business Manager, or Owner in the presence of a Notary Public

I swear that the statements made by me are true, correct, and complete:

Noel Hamiel
(Signature)

Publisher
(Title)

State of South Dakota)
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County of Hanson)

Sworn to before me this 27 day of Sept, 2004

Kathy Hoffman
Notary Public

(Seal)

My commission expires: 10.8.2009

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